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**PRESS ADVISORY AND CONFERENCE**

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY DAVID N. KELLEY WILL HOLD A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE AT 12 NOON TODAY (TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2004) WITH JEANINE PIRRO, THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND WAYNE BENNETT, THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE, TO ANNOUNCE THE UNSEALING OF INDICTMENTS CHARGING 22 DEFENDANTS WITH PARTICIPATION IN A VIOLENT ORGANIZED CRIME ENTERPRISE KNOWN AS THE RUDAJ ORGANIZATION WHOSE MEMBERS ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED NUMEROUS CRIMES IN THE BRONX, WESTCHESTER COUNTY, AND ASTORIA, QUEENS, INCLUDING RACKETEERING, ATTEMPTED MURDER, CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MURDER, EXTORTION, LOANSHARKING, ILLEGAL GAMBLING, ROBBERY AND FIREARMS OFFENSES.

DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2004  
TIME: 12 NOON  
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PROMPTLY AT 12 NOON. PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO PERMIT  
CLEARANCE THROUGH SECURITY.**